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Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner's indication of the allowability of the subject matter of claims 3, 4, 12 and 14-17 is respectfully acknowledged.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of claim 3.

In addition, new claim 41 has been added to recite the allowable subject matter of claim 4 rewritten in independent form, and new claims 42 and 43 have been added to recite the subject matter of claims 5 and 8, respectively, depending from new claim 41.

Still further, claim 11 has been amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of claim 12 and to be rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of claim 1, and new claims 44-47 have been added to recite the subject matter of claims 3-5 and 8 depending from claim 11.

Yet still further, claim 14 has been amended to be rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of claim 1, and new claims 48-51 have been added to recite the subject matter of claims 3-5 and 8, respectively, depending from claim 14.

No new matter has been added, and no new issues with respect to patentability have been raised.

It is respectfully pointed out, moreover, that each of withdrawn claims 18-20 now depends from an allowable claim.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims are now in condition for immediate allowance.

In view of the foregoing, entry of this Amendment, allowance of the claims and the passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

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